

REMARKS

The Office Action dated January 7, 2005, required election between Group I, claims 1-28; Group II, claims 29-31; and Group III, claims 32-59. The Office Action asserts that claims 1-28 are drawn to a color image process system, claims 29-31 are drawn to a plurality of color image processing systems over a network, and claims 32-59 are drawn to a color image processing system over a client system and a client server.

Regarding the assertion stated by the Office Action, Applicants respectfully submit that presently there is a total of 54 pending claims in the above-identified application. In addition, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-25 are drawn to a color image process system, which correspond to Group I, claims 26-31 are drawn to a plurality of color image processing systems over a network, which correspond to Group II and claims 32-54 are drawn to a color image processing system over a client system and a client server, which correspond to Group III. Applicants respectfully submit that these are the correct claims for respective Groups I-III. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request a withdrawal of originally identified claims and corresponding Groups I-III under the restriction requirement dated January 7, 2005, and entry of revised Groups I-III identifying the correct claims. Applicants elect Group I (claims 1-25) for examination and request formal examination of above-identified application.

Furthermore, Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications directed to the unelected claims of the revised Group II or III.

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Respectfully submitted,

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